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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

The Examiner has issued an invention election in this application. The Examiner has identified the following inventive groups:

Group I: Claims 1-7, drawn to a method for regenerating a maize plant from a maize cell;

Group II: Claims 8-14 and 17, drawn to a medium for inducing shoot meristem cultures in plants;

Group III: Claims 15-16 and 18-20, drawn to a method for producing a transformed maize plant; and

Group IV: Claim 21, drawn to a method for producing a shoot meristem culture from stem tissue of a maize plant.

Applicants hereby elect Group III without traverse.

Early and favorable action is requested.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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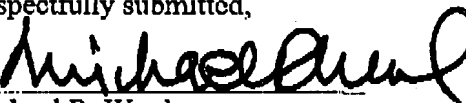
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Account No. 03-1952 referencing (416272004600). However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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